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STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO PUBLIC HEALTH.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Paratyphoid Fever — Occupational Diseases — Notification of Cases. (Reg. Dept. of H., Jan. 14, 1915.)

Every physician practicing in any portion of this Commonwealth, who shall treat or examine any person suffering from, or afflicted with, paratyphoid fever, anthracosis, arsenic poisoning, brass poisoning, carbon-monoxide poisoning, lead poisoning, mercury poisoning, natural-gas poisoning, phosphorous poisoning, wood alcohol poisoning, naphtha poisoning, bisulphide of carbon poisoning, dinitrobenzine poisoning, caisson disease (compressed-air illness), shall, if said case shall be located in a township of the first class, a borough, or a city, forthwith make a report in writing to the health authorities of said township, city, or borough; and, if said case shall be located in a township of the second class, or a city, borough, or township of the first class not having a board of health or body acting as such, to the State department of health.

Boards of Health-Local-Powers and Duties. (Act Apr. 14, 1915.)

Section 1. That the sixth section of an act, approved the 12th day of June, 1913, entitled "An act providing for the establishment and maintenance of boards of health in boroughs and townships of the first class, and defining their powers and duties; providing for the appointment of members of such boards of health by the president of the borough councils or by the chairman of the board of commissioners of such townships; providing for the election of a secretary and a health officer; providing that the commissioner of health may take charge of the administration of health laws in any borough or township of the first class, when conditions therein, in his opinion, constitute a menace to the lives or health of the people living outside the corporate limits of such borough or township of the first class, or when it may be known to him that such borough or township of the first class is without an existing or efficient board of health; and providing the manner in which the expenses of boards of health or of the commissioner of health, incurred in administering health laws in any borough or township of the first class, shall be paid," which reads as follows:

"Sec. 6. The said board of health shall have the power and it shall be their duty, to enforce the laws of the Commonwealth, the regulations of the State department of health, and such further regulations as the board may see fit to adopt for the control of communicable disease and the prevention of infections therefrom. They shall also have power, with the consent of councils, in case of a prevalence, or apprehend prevalence, of any contagious or infectious diseases in their borough or township, to establish one or more emergency hospitals and to make provisions and regulations for the management of the same," is hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 6. The said board of health shall have the power, and it shall be their duty, to enforce the laws of the Commonwealth, the regulations of the State